(e) Collection of dues is a continuous process involving the use of various statutory provisions. These include charging of interest, levy of penalty, attachment and sale of movable and immovable properties, etc. Periodical review and monitoring of cases involving high demands are made by higher authorities on a regular basis and necessary instructions are issued from time to time for effecting the recovery of taxes.

Foreign aid allocation

4314. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention have been drawn to the recent World Bank study which appeared in the National Hearld of March 13, 2002 saying that foreign aid allocations since the end of cold war has made it more effective in poverty alleviation;

(b) if so, the extent of foreign aid received through World Bank and otherwise, which has gone into poverty alleviation programmes, schemes and project-wise details of such foreign aid since the end of cold war; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for effective appropriation of such aid to poverty alleviation programmes and for preventing diversification thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Poverty eradication is the primary goal of all external assistance and all projects are undertaken with this primary objective in mind. The details of the Foreign aid received for specific poverty alleviation programmes are at Statement *(See* below*)*.

(c) All measures are taken to ensure effective appropriation of external aid to poverty alleviation programmes and for preventing any diversification. These include:—

- Audit of expenditures made of project authorities in mandatory.
- Regular monitoring of projects by the Administrative/Finance Ministry.
- Government are ensuring adequate provisining for externally aided projects, streamlining of procurement procedures, review with

Executing Agencies and has also set up a Project Management Unit (PMU) in the Department of Economic Affairs to constantly monitor, review and evaluate the projects.

Statement

Details of foreign aid received for poverty alleviation programmes

S. No.	Name of the Project	States	Donor	Signing Date	Loan/Credit/ Grant Amount
1.	Andhra Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives Project	Andhra Pradesh	IDA Cr 3332-IN	12.5.2000	111.0 (US$ Million)
2.	Madhya Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives	Madhya Pradesh	IDA Cr 3430-IN	5.12.2000	110.1 (US$ Million)
3.	Rajasthan District Poverty Initiatives Project	Rajasthan	IDA Cr 3339-IN	19.5.2000	100.5 (US$ Million)
4.	Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction Project	Andhra Pradesh	IDA Grant 26723-IN	28.12.2001	0.5 (US$ Million)
5.	Hyderabad CDS Initiatives under Cities Alliance Programme	Andhra Pradesh	World Bank, UNDP, UNCH and DFID Grand	11.6.2001	0.326 (US$ Million)
6.	IND/97/400 Community Sector Based Pro-Poor Institutions Programme	Central Section	UNDP	5.9.1997	13.5 (US$ Million)
7.	TF-029302 District. Poverty Institutions	Multi-State	Japan/IDA	14.9.1996	58.3 Japanese Yen Million

Restructuring of Customs and Excise Services in Orissa

4315. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2976 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th December, 2001 and state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase staff strength in both Commissionerates in Orissa i.e. Bhubaneswar-I and Bhubaneswar-II;

(b) whether there is any proposal for sanction of staff strength for Custom